An Abſtract of the Gift of Thomas Horde, *Eſq; for the Benefit of his Neighbours in* Aſton *and* Coat *in the County of* Oxon.

MR. *Horde*, by Deed dated the Sixth Day of *Auguſt*, in the Year 1709, did give certain Lands in *Aſton* and *Coat* to Truſtees, in Truſt to Raiſe the Yearly Sum of 40 *l.* for Ever, free from Taxes; whereof the Yearly Sum of 24 *l.* is to be diſpoſed for the Benefit of the Poor Priſoners in the Caſtle in *Oxford*, in ſuch manner as in the ſame Deed is expreſſed: And the Remaining 16 *l. per Ann.* is to be beſtowed in the manner following, *Viz.* The Church-Wardens and Overſeers of the Poor of *Aſton* and *Coat*, are with 10 *l.* thereof to provide Yearly Ten Woollen Coats, and Ten Pair of Stockings for Men, and Ten Courſe Woollen Waſtcoats, and Ten Canvas Shifts, and Ten Pair of Stockings for Women; and to deliver them to the Men and Women upon the Feaſt of St. *Michael* the Archangel in every Year.

The Men and Women are to inhabit within the Villages of *Aſton* and *Coat*, and are to be Elected by the Lord of the Manor of *Aſton*, and the Sixteen Perſons, commonly called the *Sixteen*, or the Major Part of them.

The Church-Wardens and Overſeers of the Poor, upon the Feaſt of St. *Michael* in every Year, are to give an Account to the Lord of the Manor, how they have diſpoſed of the 10 *l.* that Year; and what Remains of it, is to be diſtributed by the ſame Church-Wardens and Overſeers amongſt the Poor Men and Women who ſhall receive the Cloaths that Year.

The Remaining 6 *l. per Ann.* is to be paid Yearly by the Church-Wardens and Overſeers of the Poor, to ſome Man or Woman inhabiting in *Aſton*, being of a Sober Life, to be Named by the Lord of the Manor and the *Sixteen*, or the Major Part of them; who, for that Money is to Teach Twenty ſuch Poor Children inhabiting in *Aſton* and *Coat*, to be Elected by the Lord of the Manor and the *Sixteen*, or the Major Part of them, to Read *Engliſh*, until they can perfectly Read the Bible: But if the Maſter or Miſtreſs ſhall Teach but Fifteen ſuch Children, then He or She ſhall Receive but 5 *l. per Ann.*; and if but Ten ſuch Children, then but 4 *l. per Ann.*; and if but Five ſuch Children, then but 3 *l. per Ann.*: And the Reſidue of the ſaid Yearly Sum in every ſuch Year, is to be diſtributed amongſt ſuch Poor Widows in *Aſton* and *Coat*, as the Lord of the Manor, and the *Sixteen*, or the Major Part of them, ſhall appoint.

If no Man or Woman capable to Teach *Engliſh*, ſhall inhabit in *Aſton*, then any Man or Woman inhabiting in *Coat*, is to be Elected in the Manner and for the Purpoſe aforeſaid.

All the Children are to be Taught the Church-Catechiſm, and ſhall in the hearing of the Maſter or Miſtreſs, Pray every Morning at their coming to School, and every Evening at their going from thence; and ſhall be Chaſtiſed for Swearing, Lying, or other Misbehaviour.

The Lord of the Manor, and the Miniſter of *Shifford*, and the Church-Wardens and Overſeers of the Poor of *Aſton* and *Coat*, or the Major Part of them (as often as they pleaſe) are to Examine the Behaviour of the Maſter or Miſtreſs, and to Diſplace Him or Her for ſuch Cauſe as they ſhall judge reaſonable, and to Elect another in the Room of the Perſon ſo diſplaced.

Abſtracts are to be Printed of theſe Truſts, for the Uſe of the Truſtees, and one of them is to Remain in *Shifford* Church, and another of them with the Lord of the Manor.

Mr. *Horde*'s Heir at Law for the Time being, is to have the Overplus of the Rents, which ſhall Remain more than 40 *l. per Ann.*; and if the Rents fall ſhort, and will not yield that Sum, then other Lands of Mr. *Horde* in *Eaton Haſtings* in the County of *Berks*, are charged to make up the Deficiency.

Whilſt Mr. *Horde*'s Heirs duly Pay this Yearly Sum, they are to have the Poſſeſſion of the Lands charged with it.

As often as Seven of the Truſtees dye, the Survivors are to Renew the Truſt, and make up Twelve Truſtees; of whom the Preſident of *Trinity*-College, the Recorder of *Oxford*, and the Owners of Mr. *Horde*'s Manſion-Houſe in *Coat*, for the Time being, are always to be Three.

The Truſtees are to Deduct all their Charges out of the Rents of the Lands charged.

This Gift is made by Deed dated the Sixth Day of *Auguſt*, *Anno Domini* 1709.

The Names of the TRUSTEES.

Dr. *Dobſon*, Preſident of *Trinity*-College.
Dr. [illegible] Warden of New College.
Dr. *Edwards*, Principal of *Jeſus*-College.
Dr. *Paynter*, Rector of *Exeter*-College.
Dr. *Dunſtar*, Warden of *Wadham*-College.

Mr. *Allan Horde.*
William Wright, Eſq; Recorder of *Oxford.*
Jonathan Caſtelman, Eſq;
Alderman *White.*
Alderman *Pinnel.*
Mr. *Matthew Pinnel.*